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Astros recognize HFD EMS, National EMS Week Pre-game patient reunion and proclamation presentation

As part of National Emergency Medical Services Week, May 14-20, 2006, the Houston Fire Department Emergency Medical Services will be honored during the Astros' pre-game tonight, May 17, 2006.

Presenting a proclamation for EMS Week on behalf of Mayor Bill White will be Council member Adrian Garcia joined by Houston Fire Department-EMS Chief Adrian Trevino and Dr. David Persse City of Houston, EMS Director.

An excellent example of the Cardiac Arrest – Chain-of-Survival will also be presented with a cardiac arrest survivor Noe Cadena who had a cardiac arrest while driving and crashed his vehicle into a telephone pole and the men and women who where part of his chain-of-survival.

These are the people that made up the chain-of-survival include:

Carter Frank, the person that heard the crash and went to investigate and called 9-1-1 and Joe Gayton, the Sr. 9-1-1 Telecommunicator who took the information from Carter Frank and dispatched the emergency crews to the exact location.

HFD Crew members from who assisted Cadena will also be present and include: Engine 6: Captain Raymond Flannelly, E/O Thomas Roberts, Firefighters: Steve Reynolds and Britton Kelley III; Ambulance 25: E/O Darrin Tharp and Firefighter Jesse Hernandez; Squad 6: Paramedic Corbin Sterle, and E/O Lisa Simmons and EMS Paramedic Supervisor Greg Frank.